

**Emerson Recreation Commission Agenda for Thursday, January 17, 2013**

**7:30 PM Emerson Rec Commission**

- I Open Session**
- II Boroughs Request for All Sports Coach's Info (re: background checks)**
- III Brooklyn Nets Discount Tickets**
- IV Elizabeth Praschil Letter**
- V Fireworks 2013**
- VI Budgets – Individual Sports Status**
- VII Youth Conditioning Program Update (Afrim)**
- VIII Turfing Fields Update (Dave)**
- IX Summer Concert Series Update (Peter)**
- X Safety Programs Update**
- XI Approval of Prior Meeting Minutes**
- XII Sport-by-Sport Review**

**THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE EMERSON RECREATION COMMISSION WAS HELD ON JANUARY 17, 2013 AT 7:30 P.M. IN THE CONFERENCE ROOM OF THE RECREATION CENTER.**

In accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act, notification regarding the date, time and location of this meeting was submitted to the Bergen Record and Ridgewood News and posted in Borough Hall.

Members Present: Presiding Officer Dave Rector, Afrim Hoxha, Peter Weiss, Paul Riker and Recreation Commission liaison Chris Knoller.

Absentee: Marty Porcello, Lenny Fabiano

Presiding Officer Dave Rector notified the Recreation Commission members that in case of a fire follow the Fire Exit signs above the doors and exit calmly.

The meeting of the Recreation Commission was called to order at 7:30 p.m. with a quorum in attendance.

I Open Session

Presiding Officer Dave Rector notified the Recreation Commission members that no one will be in attendance for Open Session.

II Borough's Request for All Sports Coach's Information (re: background checks)

Presiding Officer Dave Rector noted that sports coaches' background check list has not been updated since 2010. Borough Administrator requests the sports boards to submit the information by February 15.

III Brooklyn Nets Discount Tickets

The Brooklyn Nets offered discount tickets to the Recreation Commission and sports board.

IV Elizabeth Praschil Letter

The Recreation Commission agreed that the soccer board, along with football, could have done better by notifying the residents that there could be a conflict with schedules. The Recreation Commission decided that Elizabeth should receive a credit of \$25.00 toward future registration instead of a refund. Elizabeth has the option to appeal and the Mayor and Council would make the final decision.

V Fireworks 2013

Pyrotecnico Corporation will submit a quotation for the 2013 fireworks event giving Emerson credit for 40 shells that did not display last year. A local individual is also interested in submitting a quotation.

VI Budgets – Individual Sports Status

Presiding Officer Dave Rector asked the Recreation Commission to submit their individual sports budgets for the budget workshop on January 22.

VII Youth Conditioning Program Update (Afrim)

Afrim Hoxha researched the Youth Conditioning Program through the President's Challenge from Indiana University. Afrim asked the university for literature to start the program, which inspires children to be active and eat well. Parents are encouraged to attend and be involved with their children.

VIII Turfing Fields Update (Dave)

Presiding Officer Dave Rector will speak to the Mayor regarding turfing fields.

IX Summer Concert Series Update (Peter)

Peter Weiss discussed a music concert at the fireworks event and having a mobile show with a live band.

X Safety Programs Update

The Mayor and Council are looking into installing lightning detection systems to keep residents at the schools, parks and fields safe.

XI Approval of Minutes

Motion by Paul Riker, seconded by Peter Weiss, that the September 20, 2012 Minutes be approved with the following amendment:

b) 2013 Calendar Management

The Recreation Commission would like to look into utilizing a software calendar in 2013.

## XII Sport-by-Sport Review

Football – The football board are asking for new tables and chairs in the recreation center. They also request a three-way switch, so the members can turn on the light as they enter the room.

The football board would like the free, online concussion program be mandatory for recreation coaches, as it is in the schools .

The football board inquired about the Code of Conduct policy. The Recreation Commission liaison explained the procedure to the members and football liaison. Presiding Officer Dave Rector suggested that the borough attorney and Police Chief meet with Recreation Commission to discuss the Code of Conduct process.

Soccer – Fuzzy ball is doing well. The soccer board members are trying to set up registration on line.

Softball - Nothing new to report.

Baseball – Nothing new to report.

Having no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



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